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Editorial Comment

WATCH FOR A BREAK

We feel that the time is nearing for a break in the coal strike. John L. Lewis, in spite of his faults, is a shrewd bargainer. He knows when his advantage is at a peak and he has a remarkable gift for timing. He is aware that the American public can be pushed only so far. The point is about at hand now. Mr. Lewis knows this, and knows that the people are slow to arouse, but when a breaking point is reached Congress can be forced to enact legislation that will topple no union and position as a labor leader.

Mr. Lewis can deal now and get as good, or perhaps a better, contract for his union as that obtained by other unions in the current adjustment period. But if he waits too long pushes the public too far, he may meet his Waterloo in the halls of Congress. He must make up his mind and quickly. We believe he knows all that, for he has been along this road before.

BANKS, GOVERNOR

When Governor Tuck decided to put a stop to issuing proclamations designating special "weeks" he did the public an even greater service than he did himself. After all it isn't but so hard to sign one's name to a proclamation someone has prepared in advance; but pity the poor public that tried to keep up with and observe all the special "weeks." You've done a good deed, Governor! Let's have fewer special weeks proclaimed.

ONE YEAR LATER

The year that has elapsed since the surrender of Germany surely has been one of great beginnings on the international front and of misgivings and uncertainty on the home front. Although no formal peace treaty has emerged, sound progress has been made in world relationships, and the spade work done for an international organization to keep the peace. A year of good crops in Europe and Asia is the greatest immediate need to alleviate hunger.

Just as the men of the armed forces had to learn how to get along with their fellow fighters in the common cause during the war so the diplomats are having to go through a period of establishing working relationships with diplomats of other nations. Progress has been slow, and at times relations have been strained; but progress has been made.

On the home front, things have not gone smoothly in the year since that May 8 when the armies of Naziism ceased to fight.

President Truman has done an admirable job in setting the pace. He has worked hard and kept his feet on the ground despite enough to discourage most men. But he has not received the home front cooperation he had a right to hope for. Congress has virtually ignored his program, while offering none of its own. This could well be called a "do nothing" Congress, imagine the consternation within the administration of Selective Service, with the draft act expiring May 15 and no indication of what Congress will do about it. Agencies like the OPA have had a tough time securing top flight business men to head vital programs, and yet how can even mediocre men stay on when an agency won't the future of their jobs so as to be clouded and uncertain.

But Congress has a pretty good excuse for inaction and indecision. Pressure groups and lobbyists are trying to sway Congress in a many different directions that you can fairly blame individual Congressmen from finding it hard to make up their minds. We have many capable men in Congress. A good idea would be the planning of tonnaging for a spell so we can get something done. When lobbyists storm around you it is often hard to pick out the fellow with a real public view point from the fellow with only a selfish ax to grind.

Mr. Truman is a man of great patience. The country will now back him in he undertakes a little tougher home front policy.

FARM MACHINERY

Farm machinery production is one of the greatest needs of our country. Farm labor is not getting any more plentiful, and the best hope of the farmer is to use more and more machinery. The market for farm machinery is ready. Production should be given high priority.

"RECONVERSION"

We don't like the word "reconversion" as applied to the task of changing our war economy to one of peace. It is too much like the early 1920's.

The war years showed that this country can produce more than it did in the pre-war years. Why go back to pre-war production? Why aim for capacity production in peacetime, too?

WITH OTHER EDITORS

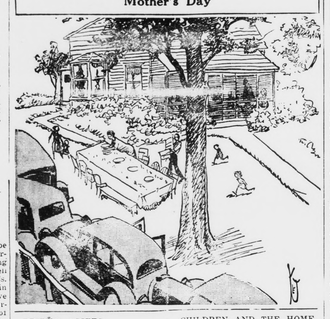
OPA AND THE TIGER'S TAIL

The pressure groups which now swarm like bees ar und the Senate Banking Committee, where the bill to extend the power of the OPA is being considered, all tell different versions of the same story. Each group cities some OPA order, or act of orders, which is alleged to injure in some way the members of that particular pressure group. Each, on the strength of its alleged injury, urges the weakening of OPA and hence the wrecking of effective price control.

And each of these arguments for the weakening of price control contains the same fallacy, the same long gap between what may be a justifiable complaint and a thoroughly unjustifiable conclusion. It does not follow, from the fact that a given OPA order may cause an injury, that the principle of price control itself is defective. If an OPA order is causing injury, then the thing to do is not to strip the OPA of effective authority, but to review and if necessary amend the order complained of.

—Baltimore Sun.

Mother's Day



BRITISH ASSETS

A footnote to the debate in Congress on the British loan is to be found in the report of the experts accompanying Mr. Hoover on his survey of food and health conditions in Europe and Asia. The United Kingdom today is so short of money that it is obliged to borrow to prime the pump of the industrial machine. Stocks of consumer goods are so restricted that there is little to buy beyond the bare necessities. The story of British losses in the war is written to everyone to read in the scarred towns, the shabbiness of the people, the continuance and tightening of rationing not only of food but of clothing, household goods, everything needed to mend or replace the worn-out equipment of ordinary living.

England looks poor, feels poor, is poor. But in the way that counts most in the strength and solvency of nations she is better off than any country in the world, not excluding the rich United States. Her riches are in the human material of which the future is built—the health and happiness of her children. The constant preoccupation of the British through the bombardments and strains of the war was to save the children. Food, shelter and safety for children had priority over every other consideration. As a result of a system of infant and school feeding, which the Hoover report describes as "the most advanced, extensive and generous in the world," the weight and height and vigor of English children are now at an all-time high. The report predicts that "the coming generation will be the healthiest and strongest in the country's history."

This is Britain's big investment in the future. It is the asset on which she has a right to place the highest value and on which the United States can afford to lay a large bet. The Empire may be weakened, but not the British people. There are many who believe that the post-war generation will be more enterprising and resourceful than their fathers. Certainly the British are the best risks in the world today - and the only strong competitors in the business of making the democratic system work.

—New York Times.

Keep cutting pulpwood.

Plans made to provide housing for veteran students.

CHILDREN AND THE HOME

It is an important feature of the life of children that they should develop a cooperative feeling in regard to the family and the home. Some children seem to take as a matter of natural right, and that they are not to be expected to make any return for them. They expect their parents to wait on them constantly, and the idea that they should do things to help the home and the parents is not well developed in their minds.

It seems a useful thing if children can be shown that they are engaged in a cooperative effort to maintain the home and to keep its activities going. As members of this co-operative partnership, it is for them to do what they can to help the parents and make room for the things the parents do for them.

Children have an overwhelming eagerness for their play. It may seem pretty tough for the boy to give up his ball game and help his father clean up the back yard. Many children feel that all their free time outside of school hours and tasks should be their own, to use in play or in whatever interests them.

Many children expect pay for the work they do around the house. It may be well to pay them for certain tasks, and to give them a chance to earn a little money. Yet it would seem as if there should be some regular tasks they should expect to perform without being paid for it, as their share in the cooperative business of keeping up a home.

They will gain something if they undertake such tasks. They gain a feeling of pride in making this contribution to the home. They will be more likely to form the habit in later life of making some useful contribution to the life of the community.

—From Peninsula Enterprise.

Several fire fighters overcome by gas in Kansas City.

Convicts had only two guns on Alcatraz.

U. S. angered over Soviet radio attack.

Congressmen demand action on coal tie-up.

"GAY GADGETS"

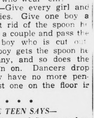
Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

Party Pep-Ups

You've invited six couples to your home for a party Saturday night. You have the right platters to serve but are the refreshments and the right beverages to serve cold with sandwiches. But, what assurance have you that the boys won't become isolationists and huddle in their own corner under a "Girls Keep Out!" sign? What you need are some new ideas in mixers and prize dances. And, that's just what we've done!

Take a Tie—Instead of that Cinderella "oldie" about heaping all the girls' left shoes on a table and having each boy take one and find the girl who fits it, you have all the boys remove their ties and then each girl pick the one she likes the best; then find the boy who owns it. (Of course if none of the ties fit than the boys who wear 'em?



Let's Spoon—Give every girl and five teaspoons. Give one boy a spoon. To get rid of the spoon he must cut in on a couple and pass the spoon to the boy who is cut out. Everytime a boy gets the spoon he performs a stunt, and so does the girl he cuts in on. Dancers drop out when they have no more pennies left. Last one on the floor is the winner.

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TRIVIE TEEN SAYS—

"Make mine a lemonade," is as good an answer for "you look better than most' when they ask you "What'll you have?" It's your first date with this older crowd and you find that they're ordering real drinks. If you think you must follow the Crowd? And who says y ou must put on a Holier-Than-Thou expression and show your disapproval? Just order your coke, your lemonade, or your soda and they'll see that you don't have to do as the Romans do in order to feel at ease when you find your self in Rome.

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Uncle Sam Says

About this time of year, we hunger for a sight of green sprouts and the first signs of a plentiful fall crop. I am visiting my nephew, Farmer John, in Iowa. John's seeds produce the golden corn we all love. John is also planting financial seeds. These seeds are United States Savings Bonds. Savings Bonds grow to golden ear. Every city worker also can plant and nurture these seeds.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL L

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Lesson for May

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LEARNING TO LIVE

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 5:38-48; Mark 10:35-45

GOLDEN TEXT—By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.—John 13:35.

One world! Men have been saying in recent years that we must have one world and that we must learn how to get along with one another, or we may find that we have destroyed civilization and ourselves.

God has always taught His people that all men are of one blood, and that despite their differences they are to live in unity and love. How much better would have been the world if men had obeyed God's command! Sin brought division and hatred.

Now in our day, when we should be far on the way to the fulfillment of God's purpose, we are more inclined than ever before to be suspicious of one another and to hold in their desires and practices the evil in many of their neighbors.

We have not yet learned how to get together as nations. Let us see what Jesus has to say to us as individuals relative to the task of living together in peace.

I. A Method for Dealing with Differences (Matt. 18:15-17).

This is the God-given method for dealing with problems in the Christian fellowship in which love always has the first place. Too often rent by jealousies, bickerings, and personal resentments. If personal differences are left unchecked, they can grow into bitterness and even strife before we are aware of it, with all the disgrace that such brings to the cause of Christ.

Such matters are to be dealt with promptly. The aggrieved one is not to wait for the other to make the approach, but is to go to him in love and place before him the seriousness of his guilt. Done in the right spirit, with tact, this is frequently all that needs to be done. A man will usually win his brother, with no bitterness or fuss in the church.

If he proves stubborn, the next step is to bring some humble and tactful brother to help him see the seriousness of his offense and repent. If he refuses to do this, one plain duty remains. Does that mean that he is to be disowned and forgotten? No. He is to be "as a heathen and a publican." Does that mean that we have any interest in such individuals? Indeed it does. It is the primary business of the church to win both heathen and publican into fellowship with Christ.

II. A Measure for Forgiveness (Matt. 18:21-35).

Peter's question was a good one. He supposed that he was the one who sinned repeatedly against the one who had shown a forgiving spirit. Most of us need not go to Peter's case; we have them ourselves.

We forgive and are glad to do it all be forgotten, when a fellow comes to us with a humble spirit and turns up with the same old offense the next day, or even a greater wrong, indicating that he has been deceiving us all along. Then there is weeping and gnashing of teeth over our own impatience, followed by repentance, followed by another offense, followed by another offer to forgive.

How long is this to go on? The Jews said, "Seven times," and then let judgment fall upon the head of any one being a follower of Jesus who was not much farther. He would have us forgive seventy times seven times. Well, that's a lot of forgiveness; let us recognize that as far as most of us haven't even approached it. Not even the Jews, and Peter was one of us.

But it is not enough to have a spirit which has any limit to the number of forgiveness at all. The spirit of forgiveness demands that we not stand there with a grudge in our heart, a chip on our shoulder, a line or an account book to keep from the heart, with a determination not to forgive without restraint.

III. A Means for Attaining Greatness (Mark 10:35-45).

To want to be truly great in the sight of God is certainly not a bad ambition, which was rejected by Jesus as being ready to crucify Him. However wanted her two sons to have the place of honor in the kingdom of Christ. So far, so good. But when she came the thing which aroused the indignation of the ten was selfishness.

To seek honor for the sake of those one loves in the kingdom might be inflated ego might be inflated, but it is a chance to show oneself definitely unchristian.

If then it is right to seek greatness, how may it be attained? Verses 43-45 tell us. It is by the way of self-sacrificial service, the way of the cross.

This world and its standards say that the one who seeks greatness is to the one who is served. The kingdom of Jesus Christ says that he serves who is great.

Where will such a spirit lead us? Christ it led to the cross, but beyond it the victory of the resurrection day. It may lead us to the cross, but it will lead us to the crown of life, for his sake.

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Rocks News

Rocks, May 6.- Last week was some rainy week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson and daughter, Mary Willie, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Foster, of Darlington Heights.

J. W. Dickerson called to see A. T. Anderson awhile last Sunday afternoon.

Cassie and A. A. Baldwin spent last Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilkerson, of near Prospect. Mr. Wilkerson remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Dickerson and son, Dan, and John Chernault of Brookneal were in the neighborhood one afternoon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Driggs Wednesday.

Mrs. Charlie S. Ramsey and son, William attended the funeral of the former's aunt, Mrs. Samuel L. Ewers in Lynchburg on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dickerson and children went to Lynchburg Friday.

Robert Roach and son, Donald, called to see Jim Frank Ranson last noon Thursday.

Those from the neighborhood who will graduate at the Pamplin High School in June are: William Rodney Roach, Miss Annie Christian Martin, Miss Virginia Dare Almond and Miss Marie Jennings.

A Mother's Day Program will be given at Rocks Church Sunday. Flowers will be given to the oldest and youngest mother present, of the Sunday School.

Mrs. C. C. Carter will teach a mission study book ,The Larger Stewardship) at Rocks Baptist Church Saturday night, May 11th, at 7:30 P. M.

Read Times-Virginian ads.

Hillman asks that disabled vets be given jobs.

Anniversary of German surrender quiet at Reims.

President Truman observed 62nd birthday Wednesday.

Gen. Smith calls for unrelenting peace efforts.

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Richwood

Richwood, May 8.- Mrs. W. W. Fleshman spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

J. H. Fleshman called in the home of Sam Chatham Thursday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wooldridge and daughter called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh on Thursday evening.

Mrs. J. H. Fleshman spent Monday in Lynchburg.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Mann, and daughter, Thama, and Mrs. Henry Reed. T. T. Pugh also called in the same home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary S. Wood and Frank C. Fore called in the home of D. A. Pugh Monday A. M.

The citizens of Richwood are proud to welcome into their community Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilburn and family, who have moved into the old Tom Pugh home.

Mrs. John M. Clapp visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Harvey over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Williams of Campbell News visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Guill Sunday.

G. P. Brannan spent Tuesday in Lynchburg.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, May 7.- Miss Emma Johnston, of Stuart Circle Hospital, Richmond, Va., is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Johnston.

"Dick" Dearing spent the past week-end in the home of his brother, W. E. Dickerson, Jr., of Chatham.

George Almond spent last week-end with his home people.

Miss Ann Smith, of Washington, D. C., spent Sunday at her home here.

William Moon, of Halifax visited his parents Monday.

Mrs. H. B. Marshall, of Roanoke spent a few days last week at her home here.

MAKE HIGH QUALITY HAY WITH ALFALFA

With the time for the first cutting of alfalfa at hand, it is important for farmers to consider ways to get a high quality hay product.

According to H. L. Dunton, agronomist for the Virginia Agricultural Extension Service, in order to have hay with high feed value, it must be harvested at the proper time and cured quickly so that there will be a minimum loss of green leaves.

Dunton points out that the retention of the leaves is particularly important because they contain about 24 per cent of the dry matter, whereas the stems contain only 10 per cent.

Hay, when cut at the right time has a 60 to 80 per cent moisture content that must be removed quickly in the curing process if the leaves and green color are retained; green hay indicates the presence of carotene which is vital to growth and reproduction in most animals.

Let the amount of bloom be your guide in deciding the proper time to cut hay, Dunton says. Cut alfalfa at one-tenth to one fourth bloom; red clover, one half to full bloom; alsike clover, full bloom; lespedeza, not later than full bloom and before the bottom leaves begin to fall; all grass hays not later than full bloom; clovers grass mixture when the clover is ready.

Report German youths cling to Nazi principles.

HOUSEWIVES FIND AID IN ALMANAC PAGES

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Oakville

Oakville, May 7.- Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moore and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. J. C. Moore, Jr.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Adams over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Adams, of Roanoke; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilkerson and daughter and grandson, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wilkerson and daughter.

Sgt. James Terry Rogers is at home after receiving his discharge from the U. S. Army. Sgt. Rogers has been stationed at Camp Lee for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. David Robertson, Mrs. Marshall Martin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Meggerson and children and Patsy Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. James Martin Sunday.

Mrs. Meggerson spent Thursday night of last week with Shirley Mae Chernault.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Meggerson Sunday (were Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Hughes and son, Michael Dennis, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Meggerson and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Martin had as their dinner guests Sunday the following: Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Drinkard and family, Ralph Coleman, Fleming Jones and Frances Drinkard and Mrs. C. D. Drinkard.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin Sunday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moses Jr. and daughter, Joan also spent the afternoon there.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Drinkard and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin Thursday night, May 2.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Martin and Mrs. M. A. Williams and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Martin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Moore, Mrs. Clarence Moore and Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Heard Smith Sunday.

Clarence and Hubert Wilkerson visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson Sunday.

Hixburg

Hixburg, May 7.-Rev. J. Howard Macrae held communion services at Hixburg Church Sunday A. M.

A congregational meeting was called afterwards for the purpose of electing three new officers, an elder and two deacons.

Herbert Gilliam and Billy Ford, of Statesville, N. C., visited relatives in Pamplin and Hixburg vicinity during the week-end.

A family reunion was held at Percy Sears' over the week-end, honoring Mr. Sears' birthday. All of the children were present. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sears, Gertrude and Lavalette Sears.

Mrs. Ed McPhillips spent Monday with Mrs. Pat McPhillips. Watkins McPhillips has the mumps at this time.

Mrs. J. E. Gray, of Richmond, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fore.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fore Sunday were Mrs. J. E. Gray, Misses Sarah Gordon and Carolyn Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rogers, Miss Bertha Rogers and Edwin McClintic.

Wilson Hix had the misfortune Saturday P. M. to lose 94 three-week old chicks by fire.

J. K. Marshall took his mother and son, Kenneth to Oceana Sunday to visit his sister, Mrs. Brooks. They will stay two weeks.

Business firms to get a ration of 24 hours electricity per week, as of midnight tonight.

Vinson favors "fair margin of profit" for businessmen.

British offer to withdraw troops from Egypt.

Most city stores plan to open 6 hours per day starting Friday, in order to comply with the ration of electricity.

UNO awaits report from Iran on Red troop removal.

Aluminum industry is started in Brazil.

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